

# BIBLE VERSES FOR YOU

> John 3:16, “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”

> 2 Peter 3:9, “The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.”

> 1 Timothy 2:2-4, “For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.”

> Romans 5:8, “But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

> 1 John 4:9-10, “In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.”

> 1 Corinthians 15:3-4, “For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures.”

> Ephesians 2:8-10, “For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.”

> John 3:16-17, “For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.”

> Mark 1:14-15, “Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

 **HOOK OR OPENING LINE**

1. Start your story/testimony with an attention-grabbing sentence that will hook the person reading. This will help to keep the individual reading and not put it down. It is one of the most important parts of your written story. Here are a few examples:

- As blue lights flashed through the cab of my pick up, I thought, “What am I going to do with the cocaine under my seat?”
- As Neil Armstrong was stepping on the moon, I was in the jungles of Vietnam stepping on a landmine.
- I never could have imagined the last words I would ever tell my dad being, “Get out of my house!”
  - I did not think my routine physical would turn into a four-year battle with leukemia.
- Driving to work one cold February morning, I suddenly woke up in the hospital informed by the doctor that my jeep had rolled five time on 1-75.
- I never imagined I would be a divorced mom of three at only 31 years of age.

## BODY OF YOUR STORY

- a. Stay focused on a single narrative.
- b. Lead up to a specific salvation/deliverance experience
  - Remember everyone who is saved has a story. Don't compare yours with someone else.
  - As the "hook" examples show above, your story does not have to be your salvation testimony. One can use any powerful story.
  - Your story could/may be geared to a specific age and gender. Therefore, your story can become more specific and help those who need healing, restoration, or salvation.
- c. Do not overuse scriptures.
- d. Do not preach. This is not a sermon; it is your story.
- e. Should be between 600 and 800 words.

## CONCLUSION

- a. What did God do for you in your situation?
- b. Was there a miracle?
- c. Did a relationship get restored?
- d. Were you delivered from drugs or alcohol, or any other addiction?

## GOSPEL PRESENTATION

- a. Add the content of the Gospel in just a couple lines.  
Example: When I was delivered from drugs, I put my faith in Jesus Christ. I submitted to His Lordship and confessed that He died on the cross, rose from the dead, and I repented of my sins.
- b. Use one or two scriptures to briefly support the Gospel.